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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 09/458,579
Title: Methods for Identifying Compounds Useful for the Regulation of
Body Weight and Associated Conditions – Miles B. Brennan et al.
Our Case No. 11320/6
Filed December 9, 1999

Examiner Seharaseyon:

A copy of the after-final amendment filed on November 25, 2002 is attached. I have not included the references filed with the original amendment. Please let me know if you wish that I fax these references

Best regards

John

Case No.: 11320/6
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Inventor(s) Miles B. Brennan et al.			
Title of Invention METHODS OF IDENTIFYING COMPOUNDS USEFUL FOR THE REGULATION OF BODY WEIGHT AND ASSOCIATED CONDITIONS			

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Reply Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116, Five (5) References.

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Petition for a _____ month extension of time.

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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Expedited Procedure
Examining Group 1647

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the September 25, 2002 Office Action, Applicants request entry of the following amendments and remarks to put the claims in condition to be allowed or to place them in better condition for appeal.